

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 2618

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CASUALTY MESSAGE

TO: MR. HERMAN MARKS  
1220 71 STREET  
MIAMI BEACH  
FLORIDA 33141

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: CDES, IS: (MARKS, RAYMOND GAY)  
SUBJECT: DISPOSITION OF REMAINS

1. IT IS WITH PROFOUND REGRET THAT I MUST INFORM YOU OF THE DEATH OF YOUR SON, RAYMOND GAY MARKS. THE ISRAELI NATIONAL POLICE INFORMED THE AMERICAN EMBASSY AT TEL AVIV ON APRIL 17, 1978 OF HIS DEATH ON APRIL 16, 1978 IN HAIFA. AS YET, THE CAUSE OF DEATH IS UNKNOWN. YOUR ADDRESS WAS FOUND BY THE POLICE IN YOUR SON'S APARTMENT.

2. REGRETFULLY, I MUST DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE NEED TO MAKE URGENT ARRANGEMENTS. LOCAL LAW REQUIRES LOCAL BURIAL OR THAT ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE FOR SHIPMENT WITHIN 48 HOURS AFTER DEATH. WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHETHER OR NOT YOU WISH TO HAVE YOUR SON'S REMAINS RETURNED TO THE US. IF SO, PREPARATION AND AIR SHIPMENT OF REMAINS TO THE US WOULD COST APPROXIMATELY \$2,500. NO CREMATION IS POSSIBLE IN ISRAEL. THE COST OF LOCAL BURIAL IS APPROXIMATELY \$450.

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3. AFTER YOU HAVE MADE YOUR DECISION, PLEASE TAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:  
(A) TELEGRAPH INSTRUCTIONS PROMPTLY AND DIRECTLY TO AMERICAN EMBASSY, TEL AVIV, ISRAEL AND INCLUDE THE NAME OF THE DECEASED IN YOUR MESSAGE. INCLUDE NAME AND ADDRESS OF US FUNERAL HOME YOU SELECT IF SHIPMENT DESIRED.  
(B) TELEGRAPH REQUIRED FUNDS SEPARATELY AND PROMPTLY TO

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON, D.C. FOR SCS TRUST FUND,  
AMERICAN EMBASSY TEL AVIV FOR BURIAL AND SHIPMENT COSTS OF  
RAYMOND GAY MARKS.

(C) IF YOU ARE HAVING THE REMAINS SHIPPED TO THE US,  
YOU MAY WISH TO HAVE THE US FUNERAL HOME YOU SELECT MAKE  
THESE ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOU.

4. UPON RECEIPT OF THE REQUIRED FUNDS, YOUR INSTRUCTIONS WILL  
BE CARRIED OUT AS PROMPTLY AS CIRCUMSTANCES PERMIT. WE ESTIMATE  
APPROXIMATELY THREE DAYS WILL BE REQUIRED FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF  
FUNDS TO CARRY OUT YOUR INSTRUCTIONS IF REMAINS ARE TO BE  
SHIPPED. UPON COMPLETION OF ALL FORMALITIES, A FOREIGN SERVICE  
REPORT OF DEATH PREPARED BY THIS OFFICE WILL BE FORWARDED  
TO YOU.

5. LOCAL AUTHORITIES REQUIRE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION  
IN CONNECTION WITH PREPARATION OF DEATH CERTIFICATE: MARITAL  
STATUS; RELIGION.

6. IF NECESSARY, YOU MAY CONTACT THE CONSULAR SECTION OF  
THIS POST BY TELEPHONING (03) 54338, EXTENSIONS 224 OR 235  
IN TEL AVIV.

BE ASSURED OF MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY IN YOUR BEREAVEMENT.

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TEL AVIV, ISRAEL  
LEWIS

NOTE BY OC/T: PASSED ABOVE ADDRESSEE.

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